GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Agriculture and Cooperation Department – MSP Operations - Recommendation of Committee for fixation of graded MSP for Bengal gram due to untimely rains (damaged discoloured/black grains) – Orders – Issued.

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AGRICULTURE AND CO-OPERATION (MKTG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 223 Dated: 20-04-2021.

Read the following:-

1. The Department of Agriculture & Cooperation and Farmers Welfare, Govt. of India, letter dated:25.09.2020.
2. From the Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, AP, Guntur, Letter No.AGC05-13021/10/2020, dated:27.02.2021
3. Recommendations of the Committee, Dt:08.04.2021.
4. From the Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, AP, Guntur, Letter No. AGC05/13021/10/2020-MI, Dt.08.04.2021.

ORDER:-

In the reference 1st read above, the Government of India vide their Notification have finalized and communicated the Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for coarse grains and others the year 2020-21. Among the crops, for Bengalgram, a rate of Rs.5,100/- per quintal has been fixed as MSP.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, the Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, AP, Guntur have appointed a committee with following members for fixation of graded MSP for Bengalgram grain (discoloured/black grain) occurred due to untimely rains.

1. Sri P.Sudhakar, Regional Joint Director of Marketing, Kadapa.
2. Smt. P.Lavanya, Regional Deputy Director of Marketing, Kadapa.
3. Smt. B.Hima Saila, Asst. Director of Marketing, Kadapa.
4. Sri Nagaraju, District Manager, AP Markfed, Kadapa.

3. In the reference 3rd read above, the committee have submitted a report for fixation of graded MSP Bengalgram (discoloured/black grain). Accordingly, the Committee members have conducted meetings with the farmers of Pulivendula, Jammalamadugu, Kamalapuram of Kadapa District in the respective Agril. Market Committees and interacted with them to discuss on the above issue. Further, the committee has collected the samples of Bengal Gram and examined the percentage of damaged grains, it is observed that, 3% to 15% of produce is slightly damaged and discolored due to unexpected rain fall at the time of pods forming and also during the grain development stage.

4. In light of difficulty and hardship being faced by the Bengal gram farmers and keeping in view of the existing parameters being followed by the Government during the procurement operations, the committee has recommended for relaxation of the FAQ norms and allow the discoloured and Black coloured pods due to unseasonal rains to the extent of Maximum of 10% with graded MSP of Rs.4,500/- Quintal.

5. After careful examination of the matter, Government hereby accept the recommendation of the Committee and declare an MSP for the damaged discoloured/black grains of Bengalgram @ Rs.4,500/- per quintal.

6. The Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur and Managing Director, AP, Markfed, Vijayawada shall take further necessary action.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Y.MADHUSUDHANA REDDY,
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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The Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur.
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The Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur.
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